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For: ELECTRONIC MONEY SYSTEM AND	)	
TRANSACTION METHOD USING THE	)	
SAME	)	

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Prior to the initial examination, please amend the above-identified application  
as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins  
on page 33 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 43 of this paper and include  
both attached replacement sheets and annotated sheets showing changes.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 44 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page  
44 of this paper.